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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
A B S T R A C T

Public Services – Transport Department – Sri M.Veera Raju, I/C Deputy Transport Commissioner & Regional Transport Officer, Proddutur, YSR Kadapa District - Initiation of disciplinary proceedings under Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 – Articles of charges - Issued.

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TRANSPORT, ROADS & BUILDINGS (VIG.TR) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.215, **Dt. 30 -07-2021.**

Read:-

G.O.Rt.No.214, Transport, Roads & Building (Vig.TR) Department, dated 30-07-2021.

ORDER:-

It is proposed to hold common enquiry against Sri M.Veera Raju, I/C Deputy Transport Commissioner & Regional Transport Officer, Proddutur, YSR Kadapa District in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991,

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehaviour in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of articles of charge (Annexure- I). A statement of imputations of misconduct / misbehaviour in support of each article of charge is enclosed (Annexure-II). A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom, the articles of charge proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexures-III & IV).

3. Sri M.Veera Raju, I/C Deputy Transport Commissioner & Regional Transport Officer, Proddutur, YSR Kadapa District is directed to submit, within 10 days from the date of receipt of this order, a written statement of his defence.

4. Sri M.Veera Raju, I/C Deputy Transport Commissioner & Regional Transport Officer, Proddutur, YSR Kadapa District is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charge as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Sri M.Veera Raju, I/C Deputy Transport Commissioner & Regional Transport Officer, Proddutur, YSR Kadapa District is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the date specified in Para 3 above, further action will be processed based on the material available.

6. Attention of Sri M.Veera Raju, I/C Deputy Transport Commissioner & Regional Transport Officer, Proddutur, YSR Kadapa District is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government Servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further her interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt within

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these proceedings, it will be presumed that Sri M.Veera Raju, I/C Deputy Transport Commissioner & Regional Transport Officer, Proddutur, YSR Kadapa District is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of the Order be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

M.T.KRISHNA BABU
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri M.Veera Raju, I/C Deputy Transport Commissioner & Regional Transport Officer, Proddutur, YSR Kadapa District through Transport Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
The Transport Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada(2 copies - with a request to serve the order on the individual and send the served copy with dated signature to the Government)
Copy to
The Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, Vijayawada.
The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh
P.S to Hon`ble M(TR)/PS to Prl.Secretary to Govt.(TR & B)
SF/SC.

//FORWARDED::BY ORDER//

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ANNEXURE-I

DRAFT ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI MOGADALA VEER RAJU, AGE 43 YEARS, S/O M.SWAMI BABU, DEPUTY TRANSPORT COMMISSIONER (FAC), KADAPA O/O RTO, DTC COMPLEX OFFICE, KADAPA

That, Sri Mogadala Veerraju has joined into Govt. service on 16-11-2000 as Secondary Grade Teacher through District Selection Committee and worked at Srikakulam Municipality. Later he appointed as Administrative officer Grade-II on 8-5-2012 and worked at Asst. Director (Admn), RIMS Medical College, Srikakulam through APPSC. Later he was transferred to Transport Department and posted as Regional Transport officer on 1-6-2018 and worked at Proddatur. He was worked as Deputy Transport Commissioner (FAC), Kadapa from 24-7-2019 to 5-11-2019. Presently working as Regional Transport officer, Proddatur From 01.06.2018 to till date. He is here-in-after referred to as Government Servant. While working as Deputy Transport Commissioner (FAC), Kadapa he has committed grave misconduct as much as.

Charge-1:

That the Government Servant Sri M.Veerraju in abuse of his official position, while working as I/c DTC, in collusion with other staff, allowed 15 private transport agents within the premises of the office and an unaccounted amount of Rs.85,010/- was found in the possession of those 15 private transport agents.

Charge-2:

That the Government Servant Sri M.Veerraju in abuse of his official position, while working as I/c DTC, failed to give proper explanation for unaccounted cash of Rs.3,200/- seized from the Senior Assistant Sri I.Prabhakar Rao and Rs.2,100/- seized from the Data Base Administrator Sri Shaik Asif on the date of Surprise check.

Charge-3:

That the Government Servant Sri M.Veerraju in abuse of his official position, while working as I/c DTC, being a supervisory officer failed to take all possible steps to ensure the integrity and devotion to duty of all the Government servants for the time being under his control and authority.

Thus the Government servant Sri M.Veerraju, I/c DTC, O/o RTO, DTC complex office, Kadapa by his above-mentioned acts exhibited slack supervision, lack of integrity, devotion to duty and conduct of unbecoming a Government Servant and brought down the prestige of the Government and thereby contravened Rules 3 (1), 3 (2) & 3 (5) of APCS (Conduct) Rules,1964.

M.T.KRISHNA BABU
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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4818833/2021/VIG-TR-TRB01 **ANNEXURE-II**

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF MISCONDUCT AND MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF THE DRAFT ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI MOGADALA VEER RAJU, AGE 43 YEARS, S/O M.SWAMI BABU, DEPUTY TRANSPORT COMMISSIONER (FAC), KADAPA O/O RTO, DTC COMPLEX OFFICE, KADAPA

Sri M.Veerraju is native of Srikakulam. His date of birth is 30.08.1977. He entered into Govt. service on 16-11-2000 as Secondary Grade Teacher through District Selection Committee and worked at Srikakulam Municipality. Later he appointed as Administrative officer Grade-II on 8-5-2012 and worked at Asst. Director (Admn), RIMS Medical College, Srikakulam through APPSC. Later he was transferred to Transport Department and posted as Regional Transport officer on 1-6-2018 and worked at Proddatur. He was worked as Deputy Transport Commissioner (FAC), Kadapa from 24-7-2019 to 5-11-2019. Presently working as Regional Transport officer, Proddatur From 01.06.2018 to till date. He is drawing a basic pay of Rs.37,100/- as on 20-9-2019 in the scale of pay of Rs.37,100-91,450/- His superannuation is on 31-08-2037. He is here-in-after referred to as Government Servant.

Facts of the case:

On the request of DSP, ACB, Kadapa on 20.09.2019, two mediators arrived at the O/o DSP, ACB, Kadapa at about 11.00 AM. Then Sri M. Nagabhushanam, DSP, ACB, Kurnool Range, I/c Kadapa, Inspectors Sri P.Sreenivasa Reddy and Sri S.Khader Basha and staff of A.C.B, Kadapa and above mentioned mediators assembled at the O/o. DSP, ACB, Kadapa. The DSP, A.C.B, Kadapa apprised the A.C.B officials and mediators about the information received by him and requested the officials to act as mediators for the surprise check being done.

During the Surprise Check, all the Surprise Check team members including the mediators left the office of DSP, ACB, Kadapa at 11.25 hrs on 20-09-2019 in two Government vehicles and reached the vicinity of the RTO office, Kadapa at about 11.40 hours on 20-09-2019.

On observation, it is found that many customers are waiting near the counters for their work. After alighting the vehicles the ACB team divided into two groups. One group led by DSP and Sri S.Khader Basha, of ACB Kurnool and his staff of ACB Kurnool Range and other group led by Sri P.Sreenivasa Reddy, Inspector and staff of ACB Kadapa and Anantapur Ranges and we the mediators entered into the office of RTO, Kadapa. We, the mediators along with the DSP, ACB and staff after entering into the Counters Hall in the RTO office it is observed that private persons are waiting with some documents at the side of wall towards the eastern side of the counter hall. Some persons were standing in front of the counters in the staff Room of RTO Office. Later, DSP, ACB closed the main door and asked the staff of both teams to conduct thorough searches and the person's presence in the Counter hall in the presence of we the mediators. On search of counter Nos.1, 2, 3,

5, 6 and 8 **no unauthorized** or unaccounted amount is found. In counter **No.4** an amount of Rs.2,100/- is found in the table drawer of Sri Shaik Asif, Technical Solution Engineer (Outsourcing) who is assistant to Smt. Bhavanasi Vijaya, Junior Asst., who is Incharge of Counter No.3. When questioned the DSP about the unaccounted amount of **Rs.2,100/-**, Sri Shaik Asif, Technical Solution Engineer could not give explanation satisfactorily. Further on verification of his computer system, it is found that he did not collect any challan amount for the day. As such the DSP deeming that the same is the ill-gotten amount and seized in our presence. Further on conducting searches on person of the staff an amount of **Rs.3,200/-** was found in the possession of Immaraju Prabhakar Rao, Sr. Asst. looking after Counter No.7. When questioned the DSP, about unaccounted amount of Rs.3,200/- Sri. I.Prabhakar Rao Sr.Asst could not give explanation satisfactorily. He stated that, he looks about Driving School related works. Further on verification of his computer system, it is found that he did not collect any challan amount for the day. As such the DSP deeming that the same is ill-gotten amount and seized in our presence. Further the DSP returned the personal cash to the staff of RTO office found in their possession, after verification with the Personal Cash declaration register.

Then the DSP ACB asked the Incharge DTC, Sri.Veera Raju to attend proceedings who came to attend the routine work to the office and as such he appeared before the DSP, ACB to attend for ACB proceedings. Mean while ACB staff identified few of private persons who present in the main hall of RTO office as private transport agents. Then DSP ACB asked them to reveal their names for which they revealed their names. On the instructions of DSP ACB, ACB staff conducted searches on all those private transport agents and found the following mentioned unaccounted money with them. The following are the names of private transport agents and the details of unaccounted money found with them.

1) Sri Velapu cholla Govindu, age 59 years S/o Late Kondaiah, **Private Agent/Private Person,** R/o Door No.1-2221, A.P.H.B. Colony, Kadapa Cell No.9949104696.- **Rs.4,000/-**
2) Sri Bathala Sai Suresh, age 21 years S/o Kondaiah, **Agent/Private Person,** R/o Praneetha online center, Y.S Circle, Kadapa R/o Door No.2-136, Kadapayapalli (V), Sidhout Mandal, YSR District cell No.9440026059, 9550441891. – **Rs.9,100/-**
3) Sri Devunivalla Johnson, age 52 years, S/o Late Danaiah, **Private Agent/Private person** R/o Door No.8/86-2, Prakash Nagar, Kadapa cell No.9963624502.- **Rs.1730/-**
4) Sri Singareddy Raghava Reddy, age 42 years, S/o Jayaram, **Private Agent/Private Person,** R/o Akkayapalli, Kadapa Mandal, Cell No.9490604385.- **Rs.1190/-**
5) Sri Shaik Khaja Peer, age 50 years, S/o Khaja Hussain, **Agent/Private Person**), R/o door No.45/275, Balaji Nagar, Kadapa Cell No.9966541637. – **Rs.1,500/-**

6) Sri Madagasu Venkata Krishnaiah, age 57 years, S/o Ramaiah, **Agent/Private Person**), R/o Reddyvaripalli (V), Guvvalacheruvu, Ramapuram Mandal, Kadapa District Cell No.9848518469. – **Rs.2,640/-**

7) Sri Kancham Venkateswaralu, age 36 years, S/o Venkata Ramana, **Agent/Private Person**), R/o Nabikot, Kadapa Cell No.9440784577. – **Rs.6,750/-**

8) Sri Abbanagari Raja, age 29 years, S/o Venkataiah, **Agent/Private Person**), R/o Door No.3/567, Akkayapalli, Kadapa Cell No.9440312419. – **Rs.8,420/-**

9) Sri Hanumanthu Suneel Kumar, age 26 years, S/o Ramanaiah, **Agent/Private Person**), R/o Door No.10/825, Railway Kodur, Kadapa District Cell No.7842603935. – **Rs.1700/-**

10) Sri Dandu Subbarayudu, age 46 years, S/o Lakshmaiah, **Agent/Private Person**), R/o Door No.10/304, Ravindra Nagar, Kadapa Cell No.9849287528. – **Rs.10,750/-**

11) Sri Madduru Chinna Veeraiah, age 25 years, S/o Nadipi Veeranna, **Agent/Private Person**, R/o Balaji Nagar, Kadapa Cell No.9848518469. – **Rs.2230/-**

12) Sri Y.Venkata Ramaiah, age 51 years, S/o Late Musalaiah, **Agent/Private Person**, R/o Bhagathsingh Nagar, opp turning point, Kadapa Cell No.9885320868 – **Rs.1170/-**

13) Sri Chowdam Harikrishna, age 30 years, s/o Late Ramakrishna, **Agent/Private Person**, Running Kalyan online centre, Ring Road, YSR Circle, Kadapa R/o door No.8/21, Ajad Nagar, Kadapa Cell No.9989291005 – **Rs.30,500/-**

14) Shaik Iliyas Basha, age 34 years, S/o Mababoob Basha, **Agent/Private Person** R/o Door No.Flat No.26, Ajad Nagar, Kadapa Cell No.8897070751- **Rs.1330/-**

15) Arava Obulesu, age 51 years, S/o Samson, **Agent/Private Person** R/o Door No.3/1621, Sionpuram, Kadapa Cell No.9963624504 – **Rs.2,000/-.**

When the DSP ACB questioned the agents, about the unaccounted above amounts in their possession, they could not give proper answer and kept silent. The RTO agents stated that they are working as Private Agents about 4 to 8 years. All of them are engaged by the RTO Kadapa and its staff. They are collecting excess amounts from the customers who visits RTO office and with the help of RTO staff their prescribed works will be get it done by the staff.

Then DSP, ACB counted the unaccounted money seized from private transport agents and found that the said money counted as Rs.85,010/- from the above 15 Agents/Private persons and Rs.3200/- from the possession of I.Prabhakar Rao Sr.Asst and Rs. 2100/- from Sri. Asif, Data Base Administrators (D.B.A). All together the total unaccounted money is counted as Rs.90,310/-. Then DSP ACB seized the above unaccounted money of Rs.90,310/- as ill-gotten amount in the presence of we the mediators.

Then the DSP ACB asked Administrator Officer-2 to produce Personal Cash register and Attendance registers. The same was produced by him before DSP ACB. On perusal of the Registers by the DSP ACB the following mentioned details are found in the registers.

1) **Three Attendance Registers of office staff, D.B.As and Home Guards:**

They were maintained from 01-01-2019 to till date ie., 20.9.2019. The staff of DTC, D.B.As and Home Guards had put their initials till today i.e., 20.9.2019. DSP, ACB seized all the attendance registers in the presence of we the mediators duly attested by we the mediators and the DSP, ACB.

2) **Three Personal Cash Registers of office staff, D.B.As and Home Guards:**

They were maintained from 01-01-2019 to till today 20.9.2019. The RTO staff who are on duty on 20-09-2019 are made entries by mentioning their personal cash in the register. Except Sri I.Prabhakar Rao, Sr.Asst., and Sri Asif, Technical Solution Engineer (Outsourcing) remaining all the staff were tallied with the amount in their possession with their declaration in Personal Cash Register. An excess amount of Rs.3,200/- and Rs.2,100/- respectively were found in the possession of above two persons and the same was seized by DSP ACB. The DSP, ACB seized the three personal registers in the presence of we the mediators duly attested by we the mediators and the DSP, ACB.

Later, the DSP, ACB obtained the names and their ranks of staff present in the office as follows.

RTO office staff:

1) Smt Santha Kumari, age 32 years, D/o S.Bojja Naik, Regional Transport officer, Kadapa R/o door No.3-92, S.T.Colony, Narasanayunikunta, Ananthapur Cell No.9848522008
2) Sri Gorla Shiva Sankar, age 54 years, S/o Chinna Swamy, Administrative officer-2, O/o DTC, Kadapa R/o Near V.K.Honda Show Room, I.T.I Circle, Kadapa. Cell No.9493482701.
3) Smt Pasupuleti Gayitri, age 27 years D/o Saibaba., AMVI, O/o DTC, Kadapa R/o Kadapa Cell No.7416365419
4) Sri Bukke Venkata Ramana Naik, age 25years, s/o B.Nitya Naik, AMVI, O/o DTC, Kadapa R/o Kallurupalli Thanda, Chakrayapeta Mandal, Kadapa District Cell No.9581862082
5) Smt Ragimanu Swathi, age 24 years, D/o Ramanjaneyulu, AMVI, O/o DTC, Kadapa R/o Door No.7-8A-6-12, New Krishna Nagar, Kurnool Cell No.9866236860.
6) Sri Kuravi Suneetha, age 43 years, W/o Late N.Ganesh Kumar, Senior Assistant, O/o DTC, Kadapa R/o Sreenivasa Apartment, Flat No.102, Balaji Nagar, Kadapa. Cell No.9492070724.
7) Sri Immaraju Prabhakar Rao, age 51 years, S/o I.Swamy Das, Senior Assistant, O/o DTC, Kadapa R/o 2nd line, Prakash Nagar, Kadapa Cell No.9603404936. – Rs.3,200/-
8) Smt Lokanadham Leelambigai, age 31 years, D/o Late S.Lokanadham, Senior Assistant, O/o DTC, Kadapa R/o Door No.75/4-7, Street No.6 left, Durgammagudi colony, Kadapa Cell No.9014505089.
9) Smt Bavanasi Vijaya, age 43 years, W/o P.V.Narasimhulu, Junior Assistant, O/o DTC, Kadapa R/o near ITI, Vikas Public School back side, Kadapa Cell No.9730545946

10) Smt Kasuru Reddy Radhika, age 33 years, W/o Late Siva Kumar, Junior Assistant, O/o DTC, Kadapa R/o Door No.6/78, T.Balijapalli, Pullampet Mandal, YSR District. Cell No.9701603831
11) Smt Sreeparambaduru Veena Vani, age 36 years, W/o Surendra Sharma, Junior Assistant, O/o DTC, Kadapa R/o opp Gopal Driving School, Vijayanagar Colony, Kadapa Cell No.9533132313.
12) Sri Nelaturu Suresh Babu, age 43 years, S/o Late N.Kondanna, Typist , O/o DTC, Kadapa R/o Door No.16/1029-1, Masapet, Kadapa Cell No.9346563636
13) Sri Yeligeti Adinarayana, age 59 years, S/o Ganganna, Transport Constable, O/o DTC, Kadapa R/o Gendrapalli, Thappepalli, L.R.Palli, Kadapa District Cell No.9573055819
14) Sri Muddala Krishnaiah, age 57 years, S/o Late Obanna, office subordinate, O/o DTC, Kadapa R/o Door No.9/121, Ukkayapalli, Kadapa Cell No.9440729985
15) Jambarapu Venkata Ramana, age 43 years, S/o Late Nagabhushanam, office sub-ordinate O/o DTC, Kadapa R/o Harijanawada, Malakatapalli (V), Vontimitta (M) Kadapa District Cell No.8688360922.
16) Smt Galla Sujatha, age 36 years, W/o Late P.Chiranjeevi, office sub-ordinate, O/o DTC, Kadapa R/o Balaji Nagar, Near Sree Hari Degree College, 4th line, Kadapa Cell No.8008783599.

Out sourcing

17) Vadapalli Harshad Basha, age 29 years, S/o Khader Basha, Technical Support Engineer, O/o DTC, Kadapa R/o Door No.5/113, Main Road, Kadiri Cell No.9959957182
18) Shaik Asif, age 28 years, S/o A.Babu, Marry Nagar, Near Railway Station, Kadapa Cell No.7416644648. – Rs.2,100/-

Home guards

19) Sri Dara Narasimhulu, age 37 years, S/o Yesuratnam, HG 941, O/o DTC, Kadapa R/o Door No.1-3-424, Ganganapalli, Thondur Mandal, Pulivendula Cell No.9704789967.
20) Sri Duddikunta Narayana Reddy, age 37 years, S/o Narayana Reddy, HG 77, O/o DTC, Kadapa R/o Door No.1/42, Balaiahgaripalli, Pendlimarri Mandal, Kadapa District Cell No.9959464762

On enquiry with the Administrative Officer-2 about the employee Kum. Veena Vani, Jr. Asst., he stated that she is completely blind and attending enquiry duties in the office. She is not aware about the other activities going on in the office.

On enquiry by the DSP ACB it is came to notice that all the above mentioned Home Guards are working on attachment basis and they will be using on rotation basis and most of the time they will be used for the work outside the office premises.

Then, on enquiry by the DSP, ACB, the RTO Proddatur Incharge Dy.Transport Commissioner, Kadapa Sri M.Veera Raju stated that, he is working as RTO, Proddatur

and Incharge DTC Kadapa. Today he came to Kadapa to attend routine work of DTC Kadapa and he came to know that ACB officials conducted surprise check over the O/o RTO Kadapa. Upon that he entered into the office of RTO Kadapa and met DSP ACB and ascertained the surprise check and seizure of unaccounted money from the transport agents/private persons. RTO Kadapa after attending office she went to Z.P.office to attend a meeting.

Then, the DSP, ACB called the transport agents 1) Sri Chowdam Harikrishna, 2) Sri Dandu Subbarayudu, 3) Sri Abbanagari Raja, 4) Sri Kancham Venkateswaralu, 5) Sri Devunivalla Johnson, 6) Sri Singareddy Raghava Reddy, 7)Sri Shaik Khaja Peer, 8) Sri Madarasu Venkata Krishnaiah, 9) Sri Hanumanthu Suneel Kumar, 10) Sri Velapu cholla Govindu, 11) Sri Bathala Sai Suresh, 12) Sri Madduru Chinna Veeraiah, 13) Sri Y.Venkata Ramaiah, 14) Shaik Iliyas Basha and 15) Arava Obulesu, and enquired them about the unaccounted money found with them and they stated that they are working as private transport agents at the behest of RTO, Kadapa and its staff. They were collecting money in excess as fixed by the RTO officials from the customers to do transport work i.e., Permits, Driving licenses, Registrations and transfers LLRs, DL, Fitness certificates, B-Abstracts etc., and they will pay prescribed e-challan in DTC office, Kadapa and the remaining amounts will be paid to RTO office staff for which they were receive commission from the RTO staff. They will collect excess amount of Rs.500/- to Rs.5,000/- from the customers depending upon the nature of work and transaction. Every day they will attend RTO office along with the applications of customers and after paying the prescribed e-challan, all their works will be get it done by the RTO staff after receiving bribe amounts from them. The bribe amounts given by them to RTO staff will be distributed among all the RTO staff except Home Guards who are working on attachment basis. Today, while they are waiting in the office to get their work done by the DTC officials and to handover the collected excess amounts to the DTC, the ACB officials raided and seized the bribe amounts from their possession.

Then the DSP ACB enquired staff of RTO office ie., 1) Smt. S. Shantha Kumari, RTO (Attending Meeting at Z.P.Office, Kadapa), 2) Sri G.Siva Sankar, Administrative Officer-2, 3) P.Gayathri, AMVI, 4) Sri G.V. Ramana Naik, AMVI, 5) R.Swathi, AMVI, 6) K.Suneetha, Sr. Asst., 7) I.Prabhakar Rao, Sr.Asst., 8) L. Leelambigai, Sr.Asst., 9) B.Vijaya, Jr.Asst., 10) K.Reddi Radhikar, Jr.Asst., 11) Veena Vani, Jr. Asst., 12) N.Suresh Babu, Typist, 13) Y.Adinarayana, Transport constable, 14) M.Krishnaiah, Office subordinate, 15) J.V.Ramana, Office subordinate, 16) G.Sujatha, Office subordinate and they stated that while they are attending their routine works at about 11.40 AM ACB officials entered into the office hall and conducted searches on the private persons who present inside the office and also conducted searches on them. ACB officials during the searches seized the amounts from the possession of private persons in pretext of those people are private transport agents and further they corroborated to the statements of Incharge DTC.

On observation of the premises of the RTO office, Kadapa, it is located towards Western side of the Kadapa – Chittoor NH.40 Road near Rayachoty Ring Road. To the opposite of RTO office Kadapa, Madhavi Convention Hall is situated. RTO office building is a permanent building with two stairs. The said building is having many rooms. In the centre of the said building main office of RTO is situated in a Big hall. The said Bill hall is partitioned with work stations for the staff. The main gate of the RTO office facing towards East and while entering into the building the chambers of Deputy Transport Commissioner, RTO M.V.I are situated towards left and the main office and MVI chambers are situated towards right. There are openings to the outside of the office to collect e-challans and applications from the public by the staff.

Thus during the surprise check on the O/o. RTO, DTC Complex office, Kadapa, an unaccounted amount of Rs.85,010/- was seized from the 15 Agents/Private persons, Rs.3,200/- seized from the possession of Sri I.Prabhakar Rao, Senior Assistant and Rs.2,100/- seized from the possession of Sri Asif, Data Base Administrators. Altogether the total unaccounted money of Rs.90,310/- was seized by the DSP, ACB, Kurnool Range, I/c Kadapa for taking further action.

Charge-1:

That the Government Servant Sri M.Veerraju in abuse of his official position, while working as I/c DTC, Kadapa in collusion with other staff, allowed 15 private transport agents within the premises of the office and an unaccounted amount of Rs.85,010/- was found in the possession of those 15 private transport agents.

Basis of the charge :

On reliable information on 20.09.2019 from 12.30 hrs to 16.30 hrs, a Surprise Check was conducted by Sri M.Nagabhushanam, Dy.Supdt.of Police, ACB, Kurnool Range, I/c Kadapa along with his staff in the presence of two mediators.

The DSP, ACB, Kadapa along with his staff physically checked the office staff unaccounted amount of Rs. Rs.85,010/- was found in the possession of those 15 private transport agents. The DSP, ACB enquired them about the unaccounted money found with them. They stated that they are working as private transport agents at the behest of RTO, Kadapa and his staff. They were collecting money in excess as fixed by the RTO officials from the customers who came for their pending official work viz. permits, driving licenses, registrations and transfers, LLRs, DL, Fitness certificates, B-Abstracts etc. The customers would pay prescribed e-challan in DTC office, Kadapa and the remaining amounts would be paid to RTO office staff for which they would receive commission from the RTO staff. They would collect excess amount of Rs.500/- ti Rs.5,000/- from the customers depending upon the nature of work and transaction. Everyday they would visit RTO office along with the applications of customers. All their works would be done by the RTO staff after receiving bribe amounts from them and after payment of the prescribed e-challan.

The bribe amounts given by them to RTO staff would be distributed among all the RTO staff except Home Guards who were working on attachment basis. While they were waiting in the office on that day of surprise check to get their work done by the DTC officials and to handover such excess amounts to the DTC, the ACB officials conducted raid and seized the bribe amounts from their possession. The DSP, ACB seized the above-unaccounted bribe amounts for taking further action.

Charge-2:

That the Government Servant Sri M.Veerraju in abuse of his official position, while working as I/c DTC, failed to give proper explanation for unaccounted cash of Rs.3,200/- seized from the Senior Assistant Sri I.Prabhakar Rao and Rs.2,100/- seized from the Data Base Administrator Sri Shaik Asif on the date of Surprise check.

Basis of the Charge:

On the day of surprise check on conducting searches of the staff, an amount of Rs.3,200/- was found in the possession of Sri Immaraju Prabhakar Rao, Sr. Asst. who was looking after Counter No.7 and when the DSP, ACB, enquired Sri I.Prabhakar Rao, Senior Assistant about the unaccounted amount of Rs.3,200/- Sri I.Prabhakar Rao, Sr.Asst could not give proper explanation. He Stated that he looks after driving school related functions. Further on verification of his computer system, it was found that he did not collect any chalan amount for the day.

Further on searching the counter Nos 1, 2, 3, 5, 6 and 8, no unauthorized or unaccounted amount was found. But in the counter No.4, an amount of Rs.2,100/- was found in the table drawer of Sri Shaik Asif, Technical Solution Engineer (outsourcing). He was an assistant to Smt Bhavanasi Vijaya, Junior Assistant., who was in-charge of counter No.3. When the DSP Sri shaik Asif questioned about the amount of Rs.2,100/- he could not give proper explanation. On further verification of his computer system, it was found that he did not collect any challan amount on that day. Hence, the DSP deemed the said amount to be ill-gotten amount and seized the same.

Charge-3:

That the Government Servant Sri M.Veerraju in abuse of his official position, while working as I/c DTC, being a supervisory officer failed to take all possible steps to ensure the integrity and devotion to duty of all the Government servants for the time being under his control and authority.

Basis of the Charge:

Dy. Superintendent of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Kurnool Range, I/c Kadapa, his staff and mediators and the surprise check proceedings during surprise check proceedings prove that the staff working under his indulging in corrupt practices such as collection of unauthorized and illegal amounts as mamools from the applicants who come to the RTO office for various purposes of like permits, fitness certificates, driving licenses, registrations and transfers of two wheelers and four wheelers and etc and thereby causing loss to the exchequer of the Govt.

As per Rule 3 (5) of APCS Conduct Rules, 1964, the Government Servant Sri M.Veeraraju, being the in charge of the O/o RTO, DTC complex, Kadapa shall take all possible steps to ensure the integrity and devotion to duty of all the Government Servants for the time being under his control and authority. Whereas the Government Servant showed utter disregard to these conduct rules and failed as a Supervisory Officer.

Thus the Government Servant Sri M.Veeraraju, Deputy Transport Commissioner (FAC), Kadapa by his above mentioned acts has exhibited Slack Supervision, failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of a Government Servant and brought down the prestige of the Government and thereby contravened Rule 3(1), 3(2), and 3(5) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964 for major penalty under rule 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991.

The Government Servant had therefore rendered himself liable to be place on his defense before the Commissioner of Inquiry for major penalty under Rule 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991.

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